













## Post-Office Notification

*A mail will close*  
For Amoy.—Per Gunja, to-day, the 13th inst., at 9 A.M.  
For Saigon.—Per Ponede, to-day, the 13th inst., at 3.30 P.M.  
For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per Hindostan, on Saturday, the 15th inst., at

2.30 P.M.  
For Straits and Calcutta—For *Argyll*, on  
Saturday, the 15th inst., at 2.30 P.M.  
For Yotobang and San Francisco—For  
Quang Se, on Monday, the 17th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

**MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.**  
The English Government Packet *QUEEN OF*  
will be despatched with the Mail for Europe  
on THURSDAY, the 13th April.  
The following will be the hours of closing the  
Mails, &c.:—  
Wednesday, 12th April.  
5 P.M. Money Order Office closes.  
8 P.M. Post Office hours except the Night  
Box, which remains open all night.  
Thursday, 13th April.  
10 A.M. Letters for Hongkong, on a for sale of  
Stamps, Remittance of Letters, and Post-  
ing of all correspondence.  
10 A.M. Post Office closes except for Late  
Letters. Remittance of Letters, &c.  
10.15 A.M. Letters may be posted on payment  
of a LATE FEE of 18 cents extra  
Postage, until—  
11 A.M. when the Post Office Closes  
definitely.  
11.30 A.M. Letters (but Letters only) addressed  
to the United Kingdom and British,  
or to Singapore, may be posted if  
received the English Packet.  
Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage.  
11.40 A.M. Posting on Board cases.

**ALFRED LISTER,**  
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,  
Hongkong, 30th March, 1876.

**MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES' PACKERS.**

The United States' Mail **COLORADO** will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 15th instant, with Mails for Japan, Spain, and the United States, which will be **OLDS** as follows:

2.30 P.M. Registry of Letters closes:  
2.30 P.M. Post Office closes.

2.30 P.M. correspondence may be placed on board any Mail Packet with Lake & 10 cents extra Postage, until 2.30 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed.

Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by **Private Packet**.

Letters, &c. can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong stamps and 10 cents in U.S. stamps for those places only—transit of mail is provided in **Italy**. Those places and the stamps named in parenthesis cannot be Registered through, but only to San Francisco (8 cents).

The following are the charges on correspondence this route:

PER HALF OUNCE  
Hongkong U.S.  
Stamps. Stamps  
Cents. Cents.

Canada, British Columbia,  
British West India, Prince

ENT A.	Edward's Island, Vancouver's	8	3
	Island Bahama's, Nassau, New		
	Providence		
CHS.	Apurimac, Peru, Bogota		
1876	La Guayra, Costa Rica, On-		
1876	ba, Chiriqui, Fiji, Greenland,	8	6
1876	Jamaica, New Granada, Nicua-		
1876	ragua, Panama, West India's,		
1876	Hawaii, New Foundland	8	6
1876	Guatemala, Cuba, Calcutta,		
1876	Tripoli	8	10
1876	Belize, Cayman, Guiana, Hon-		
1876	duras, Martinique, Santa Mar-		
1876	tha, Turk's Island	8	15
1876	Brazil	8	15
1876	Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica,	8	17
1876	Argentina Confederation, Bu-		
1876	enos Ayres, Paraguay, Cru-	8	23
1876	sey		
1876	Newspapers (not over 100)	6	10
1876	any article found enclosed in		
1876	or Bank Packets (as silk: scarves, jewelry		
1876	&c) will be detained.		

General Post Office,  
Hongkong, 26th April, 1876.

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.**  
The French Contrast Packet, *TRAZOULI*, will be despatched on **THURSDAY**, the 29th instant, with Mails for Europe, India, Ceylon, Singapore, Batavia, Gallo, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Mauritius, Madagascar, and the Cape of Good Hope.

Letters may now be forwarded to India by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. This postage to Ceylon is termed *Port Paid*; letters will go on from Gallo to *Galle* only.

The following will be the names of closing the Mails:—

**Wednesday, 19th instant.**  
5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except for Letters and Bills, which remain open all night.

**Thursday, 20th instant.**  
7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Newspapers and Letters, and closes.

in all correspondence.  
10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases.  
11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Letters.  
11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or to Singapore may be posted as payment of postage may be made in cash extra postage until 12 noon.  
12 P.M., when the Post Office CLOSURE entirely.

**ALFRED LISTER,**  
Postmaster-General

General Post Office,  
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1876.

As some misapprehension exists regarding the transmission of Packets and Samples through the Post, I hereby notify the general information, that the Privilege granted by the Government is not to be used for the purpose of transmitting any other articles than those mentioned above.

of such nature applicable to, them is restricted  
 bond-fide Trade Orders or Samples of Merchandise.  
 Goods sent for Sale, or in execution  
 of an order (however small the quantity) for  
 any article, will be by one private individual  
 to another-which are not actually patterns  
 samples, are not admissible.

Arrangements having been made, upon  
 each Month for London arriving at Suco  
 from China by Private Ships will be forwarded  
 destination via Brindley, it is hereby notified  
 that the rates of postage, which must be paid  
 advance on correspondence addressed to  
 "Patents," so forwarded, will be as follows, viz.:—

For Letters.....	34 cents per half ounce
For Newspapers.....	Not exceeding 1 ounce 4 cents
Patents.....	every additional 1/4 12 "
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	1/4 12 "

Postage on Correspondence forwarded  
 Private Ship to the Straits Settlements must

**Paid-up**,.....  
For Letters,.....8 cents per 100  
For Postage,.....3 " each  
For Book Packets) .....  
and Pockets of 6 " ) for each dozen  
**Duplicates,**.....  
The enclosure forms such correspondence  
is Twelve cents for each Letter; Paper  
Packet.

Many boxes of letters received at the R.  
Office last mailed, that is to say, the box  
fastened with sealing wax, but there was no  
impression of a seal.

The attention of collectors is called to  
the fact that carefully assembl'd patch books,  
which were recognizably real, and of sending a  
book or receipt with them. The omission  
of the latter precaution leaves a doubt as to  
their genuineness. A box ever reached the  
Post Office; the omission of the former, so  
whether part of them might not have been  
stamped for the sake of the Postage Stamp.

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